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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b) and 1.98, attached hereto are a copy of U.S. Patent No. 4,870,643 which issued from application Serial No. 07/118,785 filed on November 6, 1987, cited on page 1 of the specification, and a form PTO-1449 listing this reference.

Also listed on the form PTO-1449 are the ten references which were cited by or submitted to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office in prior applications Serial No. 08/534,841 filed on September 27, 1995, and Serial No. 07/859,850 filed on March 30, 1992, the parent and grandparent applications of the present Rule 60 continuation application.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.98(d), copies of these ten references are <u>not</u> being provided with this Information Disclosure Statement because the references were previously

cited by or submitted to the Office in the prior applications identified above, and the prior applications are being relied upon in the present application for an earlier filing date under 35 USC 120.

Two of the ten references listed on the form PTO-1449, Japanese references 1-250128 and 2-135555, are not in the English language.

The concise explanation of the relevance of Japanese references 1-250128 and 2-135555 required by 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3) is provided by the discussion of these references on page 1 of the specification as permitted by the last sentence of 37 CFR 1.98(a)(3), and by an English abstract of Japanese reference 2-135555 which was submitted to the Office in grandparent application Serial No. 07/859,850.

It is respectfully requested that this Information Disclosure Statement be considered.

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.97(b)(1), this Information

Disclosure Statement is being submitted within three months of
the filing date of the above-identified national application.

Respectfully submitted,

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